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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In Re application of ) Group Art Unit: 3654  
Johannes BOPPEL et al. ) Examiner: Evan H. Langdon  
Application No. 10/531,908 )  
Filed April 19, 2005 )  
For: GUIDING ELEMENTS FOR A )  
WEB-PRODUCING OR )  
WEB-PROCESSING MACHINE )

**ELECTION OF SPECIES**

Commissioner for Patents  
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Sir:

In response to the Election of Species Requirement of October 11, 2007 in the subject U.S. patent application, applicants elect to prosecute, in this application, the species of the subject invention identified by the Examiner as Species A, depicted in Fig. 2. The claims which are believed to correspond with the elected species are claims 34, 37, 39, 41-49, 53, 55, 57-59, 61, 63, 65, 67 and 69. At present, there is no generic claim.

Applicants expressly reserve the right to file one or more divisional applications directed to the non-elected species of the subject invention. An early and favorable Office Action on the merits is respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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